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<b>(54) Title:</b> THICKENING LATEX, METHOD OF PRODUCTION AND COSMETIC APPLICATIONS  <b>(57) Abstract</b> The invention relates to a mixture comprising an oil phase, an aqueous phase, at least one water-in-oil (E/H) emulsifier and at least one oil-in-water (H/E) emulsifier, characterized in that said mixture is a positive latex containing between 20 and 60 weight percent, preferably between 25 and 45 weight percent, of a branched or reticulated anionic polyelectrolyte, in a base of at least one monomer having a strong acid function and copolymerised with either at least one monomer having a weak acid function or at least one neutral monomer. The invention further relates to cosmetic applications of the mixture.		